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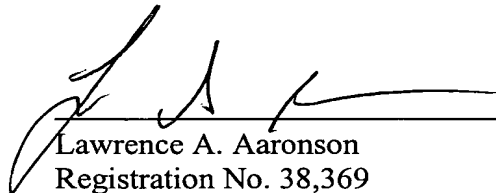
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Upon entry of the present amendment, claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19 will have been amended. No new matter has been added to the instant application by the amendments herein. Reconsideration of the Office Action of August 9, 2004 is respectfully requested.

Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter and thorough review of the claims. The Examiner objected to claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19 because of informalities. Applicants have amended claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions to correct the same. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the objection to claims 1, 11, 13, 18 and 19.

Applicant respectfully submits that the instant application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the present Office Action and an early Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

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